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|      | March 16, 1948   | F<br>Y       |    |
|      | Rear Admiral R. H. Hillenkoetter Director of Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D. C.  Dear Admiral Hillenkoetter:  My editor has decided to send me to the Mediterranean area to make an objective survey of the military and political situation in Palestine, all of the Arab states, Iran, Cyprus, Turkey, Greece and Italy with stops at Paris and London on the way back.  I am now cleaning up one or two lecture dates in the Middle West. I will return to New York on Friday morn- ing and will be there Friday and Saturday. I leave for London Saturday evening at 7:00 PM and expect to arrive in Palestine on the 26th.  I thought you might like to know about this journey of |              |    |
|      | mine and I will talk with you on the telephone when I get back to New York on Friday.  |              |    |
|      | All the best,  |              |    |
|      | Sincerely,   |              |    |
|      | /s/  | ST           | AT |
|      | Note for Record: Director talked to on Friday, 19 March 1948.  | ST           | АТ |

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